



LAKE OF THE ISLES LUTHERAN CHURCH

✠ First Sunday of Advent ✠

November 28, 2021

Today we begin the new church year with the First Sunday of Advent. Advent, which means coming, is a season of hoping, waiting, yearning and preparing, but for what and for whom? In many old Lutheran liturgies, the story of Jesus' entry into Jerusalem was the gospel story read on this Sunday. It was a colorful reminder that it is not simply a baby in Bethlehem entering into our story, but it is a savior who comes in the name of the Lord.

✠ Gathering ✠

Following the call of God's Spirit, the community of faith gathers, welcoming one another and praying for God's mercy to fill the church and the world.

We invite you to use the prelude time to prepare your heart and mind for worship.

Prelude

Wachet Auf, Ruft uns die Stimme

Johann Sebastian Bach (1685–1750)

Welcome



✠ Confession & Forgiveness ✠

Penitential Rite

*Please stand as
you are able.*

P: Throughout the season of Advent we prepare ourselves to receive the King of glory anew. Therefore, let us come before God with open hearts.

Almighty God, to whom all hearts are open, all desires known, and from whom no secrets are hid: cleanse the thoughts of our hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may perfectly love you and worthily magnify your holy name, through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

(Silence for reflection and self-examination.)

Confession

P: Most merciful God,

C: **we confess that we are captive to sin and cannot free ourselves. We have sinned against you in thought, word, and deed, by what we have done and by what we have left undone. We have not loved you with our whole heart; we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves. For the sake of your Son, Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Forgive us, renew us, and lead us, so that we may delight in your will and walk in your ways, to the glory of your holy name. Amen.**

Words of Absolution

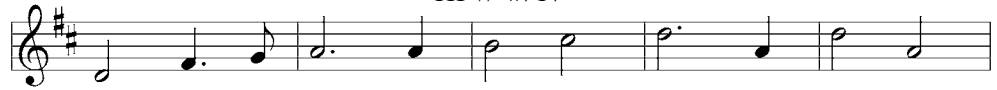
P: In the mercy of almighty God, Jesus Christ was given to die for us, and for his sake God forgives us all our sins. As a called and ordained minister of the church of Christ, and by his authority, I therefore declare to you the entire forgiveness of all your sins, in the name of the Father, and of the + Son, and the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

Gathering Hymn

vs 1 All,
vs 2 Women,
vs 3 Men,
vss 4 & 5 All.

Lift Up Your Heads

HFW #717



1 Lift up your heads, ye might - y gates; be - hold, the
2 Oh, blest the land, the cit - y blest, where Christ the
3 Fling wide the por - tals of your heart; make it a
4 Re - deem - er, come! I o - pen wide my heart to
5 So come, my Sov - 'reign; en - ter in! Let new and



King of glo - ry waits! The King of kings is
rul - er is con - fessed! Oh, hap - py hearts and
tem - ple, set a - part from earth - ly use for
thee: here, Lord, a - bide! Let me thy in - ner
no - bler life be - gin; thy Ho - ly Spir - it



draw - ing near; the Sav - ior of the world is here.
hap - py homes to whom this King in tri - umph comes!
heav'n's em - ploy, a - dorned with prayer and love and joy.
pres - ence feel: thy grace and love in me re - veal.
guide us on, un - til the glo - rious crown be won.

Text: Georg Weissel, 1590–1635; tr. Catherine Winkworth, 1829–1878
Music: TRURO, T. Williams, *Psalmody Evangelica*, 1789

Apostolic Greeting

P: The grace of our Lord Jesus Chrst, the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

C: And also with you.

Prayer of the Day

Stir up your power, Lord Christ, and come. **By your merciful protection alert us to the threatening dangers of our sins, and redeem us for your life of justice, for you live and reign with the Father and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. Amen.**



Children's Message

Please be seated.

Lighting of the Advent Wreath



Dismissal Song

Lesson

Romans 13:11-14

Paul compares the advent of Christ to the coming of dawn. We live our lives today in lights of Christ's coming in the future.

Advent Gradual

Sung by the Choir

✠ Word ✠

The Word of God comes alive for the gathered community. as God speaks to us in scriptures read, sung and preached.



Today we light the first candle of the Advent wreath. This is the candle of hope. With Christians around the world, we use this light to help us prepare our hearts and minds for the coming of our Savior, Jesus Christ. May we receive God's light as we hear the words of the prophet Isaiah:

"The people who walked in darkness have seen a great light; those who lived in a land of deep darkness on them light has shined." Isaiah 9:2

Let us pray:

Lord, as we look to the birth of Jesus, grant that the light of your love for us will help us to become lights in the lives of those around us. Prepare our hearts for the joy and gladness of your coming, for Jesus is our hope. Amen.

*Dear Jesus lead us to your bed,
In Bethlehem we pray.
A candle we shall light, O Lord,
To Guide us on our way*

Besides this, you know what time it is, how it is now the moment for you to wake from sleep. For salvation is nearer to us now than when we became believers; the night is far gone, the day is near. Let us then lay aside the works of darkness and put on the armor of light; let us live honorably as in the day, not in reveling and drunkenness, not in debauchery and licentiousness, not in quarreling and jealousy. Instead, put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to gratify its desires.

R: Word of God, Word of Life

C: **Thanks be to God.**

Hosianna

G. J. Vogler

*Sing Hosanna, David's Son! O, welcome him with song!
Sing Hosanna David's Son, who comes in the name of the Lord!
Sing Hosanna in the highest, sing hosanna in the highest.
Sing Hosanna David's Son, who comes in the name of the Lord.*

Gospel
Matthew 21:1-11
Jesus enters Jerusalem.

P: The Holy Gospel according to St. Matthew the twenty-first chapter.

C: Glory to you, O Lord.

¹When they had come near Jerusalem and had reached Bethphage, at the Mount of Olives, Jesus sent two disciples, ²saying to them, “Go into the village ahead of you, and immediately you will find a donkey tied, and a colt with her; untie them and bring them to me. ³If anyone says anything to you, just say this, ‘The Lord needs them.’ And he will send them immediately.” ⁴This took place to fulfill what had been spoken through the prophet, saying,

⁵”Tell the daughter of Zion,
Look, your king is coming to you,
humble, and mounted on a donkey,
and on a colt, the foal of a donkey.”

⁶The disciples went and did as Jesus had directed them; ⁷they brought the donkey and the colt, and put their cloaks on them, and he sat on them. ⁸A very large crowd spread their cloaks on the road, and others cut branches from the trees and spread them on the road. ⁹The crowds that went ahead of him and that followed were shouting,

“Hosanna to the Son of David!
Blessed is the one who comes in the name of the Lord!
Hosanna in the highest heaven!”

¹⁰When he entered Jerusalem, the whole city was in turmoil, asking, “Who is this?”

¹¹The crowds were saying, “This is the prophet Jesus from Nazareth in Galilee.”

P: The Gospel of Our Lord.

C: Praise to you, O Christ.



Sermon
Please be seated

Following the sermon, we will take a moment of silence to reflect on today's gospel message.

Hymn of the Day

vss 1 & 4

Sung to the tune

Valet Will Ich Dir Geben

O Lord, How Shall I Meet You

ELW #241

¹ *O Lord, how shall I meet you, how welcome you aright?
Your people long to greet you, my hope, my heart's delight!
Oh, kindle, Lord most holy, your lamp within my breast
to do in spirit lowly all that may please you best.*

⁴ *Rejoice, then, you sad-hearted, who sit in deepest gloom,
who mourn your joys departed and tremble at your doom.
All hail the Lord's appearing! O glorious Sun, now come,
send forth your beams so cheering and guide us safely home.*

Prayers of the Church

P: Eternal God, you hold firm amid the changes of this world. Hear us now as we pray for the church, the world, and everyone in need.

A brief silence.

A: God, you sent your Son Jesus to testify to the truth. We pray for preachers, missionaries...

C: hear our prayer.

P: Into your hands, God of abundant grace, we commend all for whom we pray, trusting in your mercy, through Jesus Christ, our Savior

C: Amen.

Greeting of Peace

P: The peace of the Lord be with you always.

C: And also with you.

After the greeting, please share a word of peace with your neighbors.



✠ Offering ✠

Lake of the Isles Lutheran Church is supported through the generous gifts of time, talent and treasure of our friends and members. In order to fulfill our mission and ministry, we need to receive approximately \$6,000 in offerings each week.

We thank you for your support and partnership in the proclamation of the good news.

Anthem

Please be seated.

Thou Art the King of Glory from the ***Dettingen Te Deum***

George Frideric Handel (1685 – 1759)

*Thou art the King of Glory, O Christ.
Thou art the everlasting Son of the Father.*

Offertory Response

*Please stand as
you are able.*



Create In Me a Clean Heart

WOV #732

Cre - ate in me a clean heart, O God, and re - new a right
spir-it with - in me. Cast me not a - way from your pres-ence, and
take not your Ho - ly Spir - it from me. Re - store un - to me the
joy of your sal - va - tion, and up - hold me with your free Spir - it.

Text: Psalm 51:10-12
Music: FRANCKE, J.A. Freylinghausen, 1670-1739

Offertory Prayer

A: God of our waiting and watching, we offer the gifts of our hearts and our lives to the service of all your people. Prepare the way before us as we meet you in this simple meal, through Christ Jesus, our pathway and our peace.

C: Amen.

Great Thanksgiving



✠ Meal ✠

We lift our hearts with praise and thanksgiving as the table is set, and we receive the bread and wine—the humble meal through which we are fed by the presence of Jesus the Christ and united as the body of Christ in the world.

P: The Lord be with you.

C: **And also with you.**

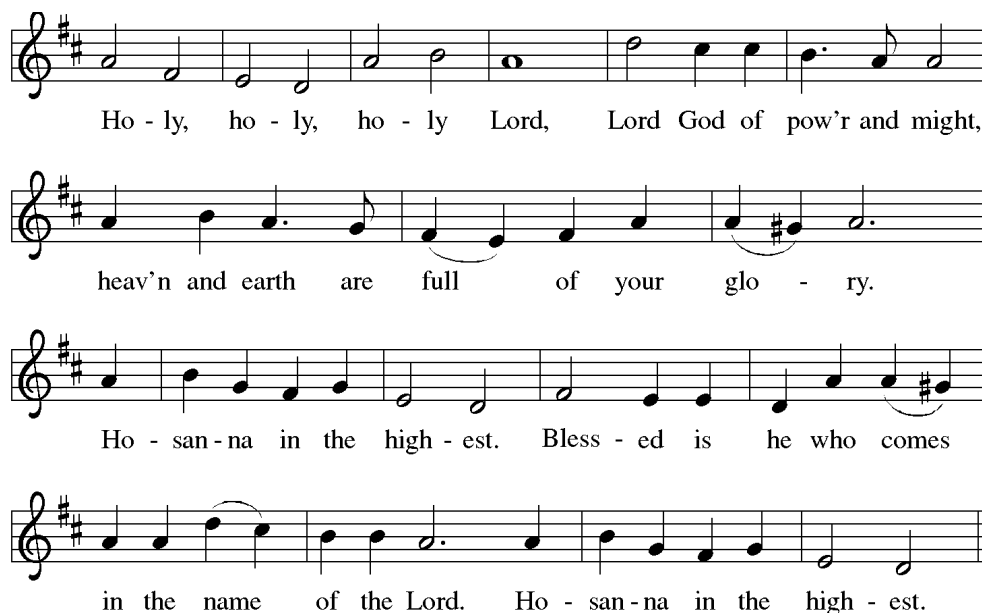
P: Lift up your hearts.

C: **We lift them to the Lord.**

P: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

C: **It is right to give our thanks and praise.**

P: It is indeed right and salutary... we praise you name and join their unending hymn:



Words of Institution



Lord's Prayer

C: **Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name, thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive those who trespass against us; and lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, and the power, and the glory, forever and ever. Amen.**

Invitation to Communion

P: Come to me all who are tired and heavy laden, and I will give you rest.
The table is ready. All are welcome.



O Christ Thou Lamb of God

LBW #103

O Christ, thou Lamb of God that tak - est a - way the sin of the world,
 have mer - cy up - on us! O Christ, thou Lamb of God that tak -
 est a - way the sin of the world, have mer - cy up - on us!
 O Christ, thou Lamb of God that tak - est a - way the sin of the world,
 grant us thy peace! A - men

Text: German, 1528, based on the Agnus Dei; tr. unknown
 Music: CHRISTI, DU LAMM GOTTES, *Kirchenordnung*, Braunschweig, 1528

Distribution

Please be seated.

Holy Communion will begin in the front of the church, nearest where the pastor and assisting minister will distribute the bread and wine. Please take either a glass of red wine or white grape juice from the full tray and place your emptied glass into the extra tray which is positioned in front of the first pew.

Your offerings will also be received as the usher directs you towards the front of the church for communion.

Distribution Music

Violin Sonata in E Minor, Op. 5, N° 8

Arcangelo Corelli (1653-1713)

Post-Communion

Blessing

*Please stand
 as you are able.*

P: The body and blood of our Lord Jesus Christ strengthen you and keep you in his grace.

C: Amen.

Post-Communion

Prayer

A: Lord of life, in the gift of your body and blood you turn the crumbs of our faith into a feast of salvation. Send us forth into the world with shouts of joy, bearing witness to the abundance of your love in Jesus Christ, our Savior and Lord.

C: Amen.

✠ Sending ✠

We receive the blessing of God and leave in peace, sent out to live the way of Jesus for the sake of the world God loves.

Benediction

P: The Lord bless you and keep you.

The Lord makes his face shine upon you and be gracious to you.

The Lord look upon you with favor and + give you peace.

C: Amen.

Announcements

Please be seated.

Dismissal

P: Go in peace. Live in love, as Christ loved us.

C: Thanks be to God.



Sending Hymn



O Zion Acclaim Your Redeemer

With exaltation

1. O Zi - on ac-claim your Re-deem-er! Je - ru - sa-lem, wel-come your King!
2. He comes from the joys of the a - ges, He leaves His do-min - ion sub-lime,
3. He comes as a ran-som most ho - ly, He dies on the cross for the world;
4. He comes from the tomb as a Vic-tor, The shad-ows of death clear a - way;
5. He comes to the sor-row-ing hos-om And life is re-newed by His hand.

Strew palms on the way for the Sav-ior, His praises ex-ult-ant-ly sing.
From glo - ry to Beth-le-hem's man-ger He comes in the full-ness of time.
Re-demp-tion from sin is ac-com-plished, His ban-ner of light is un-furled.
The slum-ber-ing saints are a - wak-ened, A-roused from their sleep in the clay.
He comes to es-tab-lish a king-dom That shall through e-ter-ni-ty stand.

REFRAIN

Re - jice! Re - jice! Re - jice in your Sav-ior and King! Re -
jice! Re - jice! Ac - claim Him your Sav - ior and King!

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WELCOME

*We thank you for celebrating the love of Jesus Christ with us this week, and we invite you back again—
for prayer and worship. We will continue to have Sunday services online.
We hope the message of God's grace will guide and strengthen you
as you grow in love and faith in your daily life.*

YOUR WORSHIP LEADERS TODAY	Pastor	Rev. Dr. Arden D. Haug
	Organist.....	Dr. Kris Rizzotto
	Trumpet.....	Dr. Ben Alle
	Violin.....	Nanette Goldman
	Drums.....	Tom Madson
	Flute	Michelle McCreery
	Worship Assistant.....	Steve Hoyt
	Communion Assistant	Kathy Hering
	Altar Servers	Cathy Carlson & Kathy Hering
	Reader	Lorraine Spies
	Usher	Ellie Holmquist
	Coffee Hosts.....	Naomi & Eric Mechels
CHURCH OFFICERS	President.....	Chanda Olson
	Vice President	Marty Carlson
	Treasurer	Ross Bartels
	Secretary	Jon Sprain
STAFF	Pastor.....	Rev. Dr. Arden D. Haug
	Director of Music	Dr. Kris Rizzotto
	Children's Ministry Director.....	Diane LaMere
	Worship Technical Director	Joseph LaMere
	Office Manager	Linda Nelson
	Design & Communication Director	Michelle McCreery
	Custodian/Caretakers	Sarah & Trevor Skorburg

***Please note: If you are unable to attend in-person Worship, remember that our Service is live-streamed each week
& remains available for subsequent viewing on our [YouTube channel](#)***

CALENDAR

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 28	9:30 AM	<i>Worship with Holy Communion</i>.....	Sanctuary & YouTube
		<i>NO Sunday School or Nursery Staff</i>	
	10:30 AM	<i>Coffee Hour</i>	Fellowship Hall
MONDAY, NOVEMBER 29	7:00 PM	<i>AA</i>	Fellowship Hall
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 30	9:15 AM	<i>Prayer Ministry</i>	Christy Room/Sanctuary
	5:15 PM	<i>Women's SA Group</i>	Christy Room
	7:00 PM	<i>Men's AA</i>	Patio/Fellowship Hall
	7:00 PM	<i>AA/Spiritual Recovery</i>	Christy Room/Sanctuary
WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 1	9:30 AM	<i>Bible Study</i>	Library/Zoom
	12:00 PM	<i>Staff Meeting</i>	Christy Room /Zoom
	4:00 PM	<i>Confirmation</i>	Christy Room
	7:00 PM	<i>Choir Rehearsal</i>	Sanctuary
THURSDAY, DECEMBER 2	7:00 PM	<i>Women's Bible Study</i>	Library
Friday, DECEMBER 3	5:00 PM	<i>LOTI Book Club</i>	Home of Deb Gilroy
SUNDAY, DECEMBER 5	9:30 AM	<i>Worship with Holy Communion</i>	Sanctuary & YouTube
		<i>Sunday School</i>.....	Sunday School Rooms
	10:30 AM	<i>Coffee Hour</i>	Fellowship Hall
	12:00 PM	<i>Low Recital</i>	Sanctuary
	5:00 PM	<i>Huttner Recital</i>	Fellowship Hall

SCAN TO GIVE



ANNOUNCEMENTS

Prayer List

Please keep the following friends & members of our community of faith in your prayers of thanksgiving or for comfort, peace, and healing:



Matthew Moen; Anna Lena Skold; Trygve Svard; Tom Been, friend of the Kuehn family; **Gary Erickson**, brother-in-law of Carol Kuehn; **Tom Been**, friend of the Kuehn family; **Colin Mason**, friend of the Amann family; **Evangeline Hagfors**, cousin of David Hagford; **Bill Schouviller**, friend of Phyllis Dahl; **Sam Pederson**, nephew of Jennifer Cook; **David Beebe**, brother-in-law of Rick and Suzanne Pepin and John Fitch; **Tom Friend**, brother-in-law of Mark and Kathy Hering; **Graham Rawle**, friend of Michelle McCreery & Mark Duff; **Beth Addington; Howard Thorsheim**, friend of John Bergford.

New Members Received

New members will be received into the congregation on **Sunday, December 5**, during the worship service. Please contact linda.nelson@loti.org in the church office or call at 612 377-5095 and let us know if you are interested in joining. More information to follow.

Meditation

LOTI is available during office hours for a time of quiet meditation. You can use the sanctuary to spend time in prayer, light a candle, listen to recorded sacred music, and/or use a guided meditation tool. Please call the church office to reserve a time.

Kid Worship Materials

Kid worship materials are available in the **Narthex** (back of **Sanctuary**). Crayon packets and a variety of coloring pages and activity sheets are available for your children to enjoy during worship.

Loved Ones In The Military

Please keep all the members & families of the military in your prayers of thanksgiving and protection.



Our Saviour's Housing Meals in 2021

For many years, *Lake of the Isles Lutheran Church* has provided a meal for 40 on the first Friday of every month. Due to COVID-19, our monthly meals are provided by donation. The shelter orders and serves the meal. The cost to provide the meal is \$250.

Cherie Moe donated for **DEC 3. Thank you!**

For information, contact Cheri Moe or (952) 431-5226. oscs-mn.org

~HAPPY BIRTHDAY!~

Henry Wilcox 11/24

Staffed Nursery Available in Christy Room

Welcome to our youngest friends in the congregation! We know that you sometimes need another space to be in during worship to get your wiggles and giggles out. Our **Nursery** is **not** staffed today but families are welcome to use it, if needed, in the Christy Room. Ushers can help you with directions or follow the signs provided in the back of the Sanctuary.

Visiting Sunday School Age Children

Children **age 3** through **6th Grade** are welcome to visit **Sunday School**. We do ask that you are able to adhere to our safety guidelines currently in place (masks, physical distancing etc) and that a parent/guardian accompany your child to **Sunday School** so that we can explain guidelines etc.

Women's Bible Study

We are studying is *Children of the Day*, by Beth Moore which can be purchased through Amazon or your favorite bookstore. Our sessions are at 7:00 PM in the Library on December 2 & 16, January 20, February 3, March 3, April 7, May 5 & June 2. Contact [Debra Gilroy](#), or visit [LOTI Groups](#).

LOTI Book Club

This month's gathering is December 3 at the home of Debra Gilroy at 5:00 PM. The book is *Welcome to Pine Away Motels and Cabins*, by Katarina Bivald

Please bring your book, a light snack to share and a willingness to laugh, love and learn.

[LOTI Book Club](#)



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God's Help, Our Hands

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Monday – Thursday 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM; Friday 9:00 to 12:00 PM

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PLEASE JOIN US

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 11TH, AT 5 PM OR

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 12TH, AT 12 NOON

MENU

Glögg (warm spiced wine) or Hot Apple Cider & Ginger Cookies

Tomtens Favorit Sill - Santa's Favorite Red Herring

Creamy Saffron Herring

Glasmästare Sill - Traditional Pickled Herring

Sillsallad - Herring & Beet Salad

Eggs topped with Creamy Seafood Salad

Two kinds of Scandinavian Cheese

Boiled Fingerling Potatoes

Dill and Vodka Marinated Salmon with Sweet Dill Mustard Sauce

Jul Lax - Baked Salmon with Christmas Spices & Mustard

Julskinka - Swedish Christmas Ham

Apple Sauce & Mustard

Homemade Chicken Liver Paté with Cumberland Sauce

Pickled Cucumbers

Brie Cheese and a Variety of Crackers & Olives

Jansson's Temptation

Dopp i Grytan - Dip in the Pot - & Homebaked Vört Limpa

Meatballs & Lingonberries

Prinskorv - Swedish Wieners

Sweet & Sour Red Cabbage

Swedish Potato Sausages

DESSERT TABLE

Ris a la Malta - Creamy Rice Pudding - with Sweet Fruit Sauce

Ginger Cookies & a Variety of Swedish Cookies

Bite Size Flourless Brownies with Whipped Cream

Fresh Fruit Salad

Glögg Marinated Figs & Cheddar Cheese

Adults ~ \$34.00, all inclusive

Children ages 5-12 ~ \$15.00

Children under 5 ~ Free of charge

GOD JUL OCH HJÄRTLIGT VÄLKOMNA!

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